UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORKX

SKYLINE RISK MANAGEMENT, INC.,

 $\label{eq:plaintiff-Counterclaim-Defendant} Plaintiff-Counterclaim-Defendant, \\ -against-$

<u>ORDER</u> 20-CV-8395 (PGG) (JW)

YANNIS LEGAKIS and LACONIC RISK SOLUTIONS,

Defendants-Counter-Claimants.

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JENNIFER E. WILLIS, United States Magistrate Judge:

On June 28, 2023, the Parties wrote to inform the Court that Plaintiff produced Mr. Menexas for a Rule 30(b)(6) deposition on June 2, 2023. Dkt. No. 194. This Court previously granted sanctions for fees associated with a missed deposition of Mr. Menexas, as well as work associated with the motions regarding sanctions. Dkt. No. 188. Specifically, this Court found that "the court reporter, travel, and exhibit binder costs should be awarded to Defendants." Dkt. No. 188 at 6. This Court also found that "fees and costs of preparing the initial letter motions as well as the main motions for [the] sanctions" at issue were owed. Id. at 7. Given that Defendants initially prepared to depose Mr. Menexas, and Mr. Menexas was subsequently deposed on June 2, 2023, this Court does not believe fees regarding general deposition preparation are warranted. Therefore, Defendants are ordered to resubmit fees including only costs related to the missed deposition (the court reporter, travel,

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exhibit binder etc.), as well as the costs of preparing the sanctions motions by <u>July</u>

<u>14, 2023</u>.

Additionally, this Court is prepared to reduce the fee amounts requested by

Defendants (i) to comport with hourly rates generally awarded in this District and

(ii) because Defendants have not provided information regarding the background and

experience of the billers for this Court to make a determination that the rates

proposed are reasonable. See e.g., (RC) 2 Pharma Connect, LLC v. Mission

Pharmacal Co., No. 21-CV-11096 (LJL), 2023 WL 112552 (S.D.N.Y. Jan. 4, 2023).

Defendants may submit a letter of no more than 5 pages defending the

reasonableness of their rates by the same July 14, 2023 deadline.

SO ORDERED.

DATED:

New York, New York

June 29, 2023

ENNIFER E. WILLIS

United States Magistrate Judge

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